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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER RULE 116

Hon. Asst. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated September 20, 1999 please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 187, 188 and 192 as follows:

Claim 187, line 1, replace "composition" with - - compound - -.

Claim 188, line 1, replace "composition" with - - compound - -.

192. (Amended) A compound comprising at least one increased binding energy hydrogen species and at least one other element.



